

Eastern Oklahoma Erate Service

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APPEAL

Dear FCC and To Whom it may Concern, SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES PROGRAM CC DOCKET NO. 02-6

Applicant Name: Seminole Indep School Dist 1
617 North Timmons Street
Seminole OK 74848
405-382-5085
FCC RN 0011937620
BEN: 140329

USAC Decision: The Form 498 is still pending in a "Certified" status and waiting to be "approved."
Therefore, Erate BEAR Form 472 cannot be filed.

Identify the Problem: Seminole Indep School District completed the Form 498 on February 22, 2017,
and as of February 27, 2017, the form is still in "certified" status, which denies
them the opportunity for file for Erate reimbursement using the SLD's Erate Form
472 process.

Relief Sough: Please kindly consider extending the Form 472 deadline for Seminole Indep
School Dist 1 for Funding Year 2015 for Erate Funding Request Number
2779144 found on Form 471 Application Number 1023138 to allow time for the
Form 498 to be processed and approved. Then with your approved extension,
we can file the proper Erate BEAR Form 472.

Attachment: A – LOA between Seminole ISD and Eastern Oklahoma Erate Service

Sincerely,



Julie C. Watson
Eastern Oklahoma Erate Service
Phone: 918-441-3538

Cc: Seminole ISD

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Letter of Agency

Funding Year 20: July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018

I authorize Julie Watson, of Eastern Oklahoma Erate Service, to conduct the following on our behalf:

1. Prepare and submit all paperwork requested by the Schools and Libraries Division.
2. Act as our agent in working with representatives of the Schools and Libraries Division to resolve any questions or problems with applications.
3. Work with School Contact(s) to prepare Requests for Proposals (RFP).
4. Distribute RFPs to appropriate vendors and provide additional information to vendors as needed to clarify information in RFPs.
5. Receive bids for requested services for vendors.
6. Prepare the Erate Bid Package and present it to the school for bid evaluation and bid selection.
7. Eastern Oklahoma Erate Service is in no way authorized to open or disconnect Telecom or Internet Access accounts with Service Providers. Eastern Oklahoma Erate is not responsible for increased Service Provider's rates. EOEC is responsible to request the amount noted on the selected bid(s) during the filing window.
8. Eastern Oklahoma Erate Service is not contracted or responsible for any OCC and/or CUSF paperwork, filing, audits, and/or any associated requests.

I understand that in submitting these forms on our behalf, Julie Watson, of Eastern Oklahoma Erate Service, is making certifications for our school system. By signing this letter of agency, I make the following certifications as required by the Schools and Libraries Division of Universal Service Administrative Company:

Name of School: SEMINOLE

1. I certify that the entities listed in Block 4 of this application are eligible for support because they are: (Check one or both.)
 - a schools under the statutory definitions of elementary and secondary schools found in the **No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. §§ 7801(18) and (38)**, that do not operate as for-profit businesses and do not have endowments exceeding \$50 million; and/or
 - b libraries or library consortia eligible for assistance from a State library administrative agency under the Library Services and Technology Act of 1996 that do not operate as for-profit businesses and whose budgets are completely separate from any schools, including, but not limited to, elementary, secondary schools, colleges, or universities.
2. I certify that the entity I represent or the entities listed on this application have secured access, separately or through this program, to all of the resources, including computers, training, software, internal connections, maintenance, and electrical capacity, necessary to use the services purchased effectively. I recognize that some of the aforementioned resources are not eligible for support. I certify that the entities I represent or the entities listed on this application have secured access to all of the resources to pay the discounted charges for eligible services from funds to which access has been secured in the current

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funding year. I certify that the Billed Entity will pay the non-discount portion of the cost of the goods and services to the service provider(s).

3. I certify that (if applicable) I posted my Form 470 and (if applicable) made any related RFP available for at least 28 days before considering all bids received and selecting a service provider. I certify that all bids submitted were carefully considered and the most cost-effective service offering was selected, with price being the primary factor considered, and is the most cost-effective means of meeting educational needs and technology plan goals.
4. I certify that the entity responsible for selecting the service provider(s) has reviewed all applicable FCC, state, and local procurement/competitive bidding requirements and that the entity or entities listed on this application have complied with them.
5. I certify that the services the applicant purchases at discounts provided by 47 U.S.C. § 254 will be used primarily for educational purposes and will not be sold, resold or transferred in consideration for money or any other thing of value, except as permitted by the Commission's rules at 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.500, 54.513. Additionally, I certify that the entity or entities listed on this application have not received anything of value or a promise of anything of value, other than services and equipment sought by means of this form, from the service provider, or any representative or agent thereof or any consultant in connection with this request for services.
6. I certify that I and the entity(ies) I represent have complied with all program rules and I acknowledge that failure to do so may result in denial of discount funding and/or cancellation of funding commitments. There are signed contracts covering all of the services listed on this Form 471 except for those services provided under non-contracted tariffed or month-to-month arrangements. I acknowledge that failure to comply with program rules could result in civil or criminal prosecution by the appropriate law enforcement authorities.
7. I acknowledge that the discount level used for shared services is conditional, for future years, upon ensuring that the most disadvantaged schools and libraries that are treated as sharing in the service, receive an appropriate share of benefits from those services.
8. I certify that I will retain required documents for a period of at least five years after the last day of service delivered. I certify that I will retain all documents necessary to demonstrate compliance with the statute and Commission rules regarding the application for, receipt of, and delivery of services receiving schools and libraries discounts, and that if audited, I will make such records available to the Administrator. I acknowledge that I may be audited pursuant to participation in the schools and libraries program.
9. I certify that I am authorized to order telecommunications and other supported services for the eligible entity(ies) listed on this application. I certify that I am authorized to submit this request on behalf of the eligible entity(ies) listed on this application, that I have examined this request, that all of the information on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, that the entities that are receiving discounts pursuant to this application have complied with the terms, conditions and purposes of the program, that no kickbacks were paid to anyone and that false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and civil violations of the False Claims Act.
10. I acknowledge that FCC rules provide that persons who have been convicted of criminal violations or held civilly liable for certain acts arising from their participation in the schools and libraries support mechanism are subject to suspension and debarment from the program. I will institute reasonable measures to be informed, and will notify USAC should I be informed or become aware that I or any of the entities listed on this application, or any

person associated in any way with my entity and/or the entities listed on this application, is convicted of a criminal violation or held civilly liable for acts arising from their participation in the schools and libraries support mechanism.

11. I certify that if any of the Funding Requests on this Form 471 are for discounts for products or services that contain both eligible and ineligible components, that I have allocated the eligible and ineligible components as required by the Commission's rules at 47 C.F.R. § 54.504(g)(1), (2).
12. I certify that this funding request does not constitute a request for internal connections services, except basic maintenance services, in violation of the Commission requirement that eligible entities are not eligible for such support more than twice every five funding years as required by the Commission's rules at 47 C.F.R. § 54.506(c).
13. I certify that the non-discount portion of the costs for eligible services will not be paid by the service provider. The pre-discount costs of eligible services featured on this Form 471 are net of any rebates or discounts offered by the service provider. I acknowledge that, for the purpose of this rule, the provision, by the provider of a supported service, of free services or products unrelated to the supported service or product constitutes a rebate of some or all of the cost of the supported services.
14. I understand that persons willfully making false statements on the Erate forms or through the Letter of Agency, can be punished by fine or forfeiture, under the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Secs. 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 USC. Sec. 1001.
15. I certify that I am authorized to sign this letter of agency and to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, all information provided to Eastern Oklahoma Erate Service for the Erate submission are true.

Indicate Your Choices (X)	Service Required Forms	Cost
X	Form 470 Year 20	\$1,000.00*
X	Form 471 Year 20	\$1,000.00*
X	Form 486 Year 20	\$1,000.00*
Grand Total:		\$3,000.00
*Fees due after each form is filed.		

Site Review, Selective ("heightened") Review Fees

If at any time your school is selected to participate in a USAC Site Review (Audit), Selective Review and/or other "heightened" reviews, an additional charge of \$500.00 will be billed to the school.

Service Substitution Fee

A service substitution is a change in the products and/or services specified in the Services Ordered and Certification Form, FCC Form 471. If at any time your school wants a Service Substitution filed, the school will be charged \$300.00.

School Authorization:

**Contract Effective for paperwork related to Erate Funding Year 20:
Erate Funds Awarded for School Year 07/01/2017 through 06/30/2018**

I understand that we will be billed after the services have been performed.

Signature of Authorized Person: _____

Printed Name and Title of Authorized Person: _____

Today's Date: _____

Name of School: _____

School Address: _____

Contact Name: _____

Position: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Thank you for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

e-signed by Julie C. Watson

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PLEASE RETURN PAGES 1-4. Thank you.

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